Air service to various places of Madhya Pradesh

3157. SHRIMATI VEENA VERMA: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal under Government consideration to start Indian Airlines or Vayudoot Services to various places in Madhya Pradesh by extending or upgrading existing airstrips:

(b) if so, what are the details thereof; and

(c) the progress so far made in respect of each proposal?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) to (c) Indian Airlines is already operating to Indore, Bhopal, Khajuraho, Gwalior and Raipur in the state of Madhya Pradesh. Both Indian Airlines and Vayudoot Limited have no proposal at present to operate to any other place in the state due to capacity constraints. National Airports Authority however has a plan to extend the runway at Jabalpur for B-737 operations and the State Government has already ordered handing over the land required for the purpose.

Construction of International Airport at Bangalore

3158. SHRI GUNDAPPA KORWAR: SHRI K.R. JAYADEVAPPA:

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Expert Committee under Shri C.S. Ramanathan, has recommended construction of International Airport at Bangalore: and

(b) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) and (b) This Committee was constituted for identifying a site for setting up a futuristic airport at Bangalore. The report of the Committee recommending a specific site has also been received by the Government and is being processed further.

Selection Committee for North Eastern Region.

3159. SHRI MATANG SINGH: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) what is the number of persons who have been selected and employed from the North Eastern region during the last three years in the Indian Airlines;

(b) whether it is a fact that, interviews for selection/appointment, other than for Pilots, are held in Calcutta for the whole North Eastern region;

(c) whether Government propose to constitute a selection committee for North Eastern region with Headquarters at Guwahati for such recruitments;

(d) what are the names of the Members of the present Selection Committee for North Eastern region with headquarter in Calcutta; and

(e) whether a member can be included from North Eastern region (Assam) in the said Selection Committee?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI MADHVRAO SCINDIA): (a) to (e) The information is being collected and will be laid on the table of the Sabha.

Institutes for Pilots' training in Country

3160. SHRI S.K.T. RAMACHANDRAN: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state :

(a) what are the names of the institutes in India to train commercial pilots;

(b) whether some of them are privately managed; and

(c) what is the amount of money Government spend on a pilot trainee to fully train him as a pilot?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL